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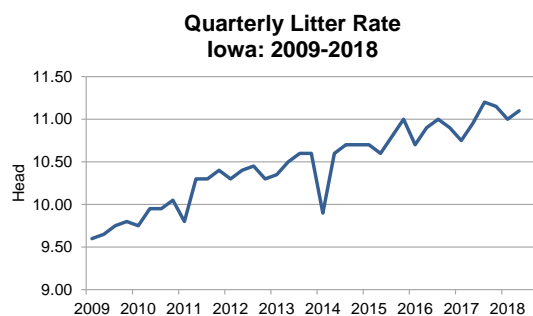
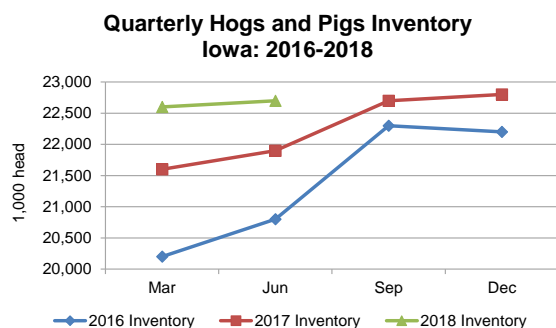
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On June 1, 2018, there were 22.7 million hogs and pigs on Iowa farms, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Hogs and Pigs* report. This is the highest June 1 inventory on record, up 4 percent from the previous year.

The March-May 2018 quarterly pig crop was 6.33 million head, up 167,000 head from the previous quarter and 13 percent above last year. A total of 570,000 sows farrowed during this quarter. The average pigs saved per litter was 11.1, up slightly from last quarter.

As of June 1, producers planned to farrow 570,000 sows and gilts in the June-August quarter and 570,000 head during the September-November quarter.



Hogs and Pigs, Breeding, Market, and Total Inventory – Selected States and United States: June 1, 2017 and 2018 [Data may not add to totals due to rounding.]

| State | Breeding | | | Market | | | Total | | |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|
| | 2017 | 2018 | 2018 as % of 2017 | 2017 | 2018 | 2018 as % of 2017 | 2017 | 2018 | 2018 as % of 2017 |
| | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (percent) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (percent) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (percent) |
| Illinois | 530 | 570 | 108 | 4,720 | 4,780 | 101 | 5,250 | 5,350 | 102 |
| Iowa | 1,030 | 1,040 | 101 | 20,870 | 21,660 | 104 | 21,900 | 22,700 | 104 |
| Minnesota | 570 | 580 | 102 | 7,930 | 8,020 | 101 | 8,500 | 8,600 | 101 |
| Missouri | 440 | 460 | 105 | 2,810 | 3,040 | 108 | 3,250 | 3,500 | 108 |
| Nebraska | 420 | 430 | 102 | 2,980 | 3,120 | 105 | 3,400 | 3,550 | 104 |
| North Carolina | 880 | 910 | 103 | 8,020 | 7,990 | 100 | 8,900 | 8,900 | 100 |
| United States | 6,109 | 6,320 | 103 | 64,901 | 67,131 | 103 | 71,010 | 73,451 | 103 |

Hogs and Pigs, Market Inventory by Weight Group – Selected States and United States: June 1, 2017 and 2018 [Data may not add to totals due to rounding.]

| State | Under 50 pounds | | 50-119 pounds | | 120-179 pounds | | 180 pounds and over | |
|----------------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------|
| | 2017 | 2018 | 2017 | 2018 | 2017 | 2018 | 2017 | 2018 |
| | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) |
| Illinois | 1,430 | 1,550 | 1,530 | 1,510 | 930 | 880 | 830 | 840 |
| Iowa | 5,450 | 5,590 | 6,870 | 7,150 | 4,950 | 5,220 | 3,600 | 3,700 |
| Minnesota | 2,610 | 2,610 | 2,390 | 2,490 | 1,640 | 1,780 | 1,290 | 1,140 |
| Missouri | 1,360 | 1,505 | 580 | 590 | 435 | 475 | 435 | 470 |
| Nebraska | 1,005 | 1,050 | 785 | 840 | 615 | 650 | 575 | 580 |
| North Carolina | 3,290 | 3,370 | 1,870 | 1,840 | 1,400 | 1,450 | 1,460 | 1,330 |
| United States | 20,647 | 21,387 | 18,741 | 19,388 | 13,646 | 14,198 | 11,867 | 12,157 |

United States Hogs and Pigs

United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2018 was 73.5 million head. This was up 3 percent from June 1, 2017, and up 1 percent from March 1, 2018. This is the highest June 1 inventory of all hogs and pigs since estimates began in 1964.

Breeding inventory, at 6.32 million head, was up 3 percent from last year, and up 2 percent from the previous quarter.

Market hog inventory, at 67.1 million head, was up 3 percent from last year, and up 1 percent from last quarter. This is the highest June 1 market hog inventory since estimates began in 1964.

The March-May 2018 pig crop, at 33.2 million head, was up 4 percent from 2017. This is the largest March-May pig crop since estimates began in 1970. Sows farrowed during this period totaled 3.12 million head, up 4 percent from 2017. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 50 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high 10.63 for the March-May period, compared to 10.55 last year.

United States hog producers intend to have 3.17 million sows farrow during the June-August 2018 quarter, up 2 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2017, and up 4 percent from 2016. Intended farrowings for September-November 2018, at 3.18 million sows, are up 2 percent from 2017, and up 4 percent from 2016.

The total number of hogs under contract owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 47 percent of the total United States hog inventory, down from 48 percent the previous year.

Revisions

All inventory and pig crop estimates for June 2017 through March 2018 were reviewed using final pig crop, official slaughter, death loss, and updated import and export data. The revision made to the March 2018 all hogs and pigs inventory was less than 0.1 percent. The net revision made to the December 2017 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.6 percent. A revision of 0.7 percent was made to the September-November 2017 pig crop.

Quarterly Hogs and Pigs Inventory – United States: June 1

